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Machine learning aided Hamiltonian extraction and inverse modeling of materials Ying Wai Li Scientist and Team Leader Los Alamos National Laboratory, USA

A Hamiltonian describes the interactions among constituent atoms and gives the total energy of a physical system. If a material's Hamiltonian is known, forward simulations such as molecular dynamics and Monte Carlo simulations can be carried out to study the thermodynamics of the material. However, fitting Hamiltonian model parameters from experimental measurements is often a challenging inverse problem. In this talk, I will highlight our team's current efforts in developing novel methodologies for constructing Hamiltonians from experiments. Emphasis will be placed on two concrete examples: fitting model Hamiltonian for spin ice compound Dy2Ti2O7 from neutron scattering data, as well as training neural network interatomic potentials to first principles calculations.



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